

REMARKS

After entry of the above amendments, the claims pending in the subject application are 20-36. Reconsideration of this application based on the Amendments and Remarks presented herein is respectfully requested.

The claims have been amended to more clearly recite that the selection of "at least one of" refers to selecting any one individually or any combination of two or more. The "and" had been used to provide for the selection of combinations, in addition to the selection of each individually. The "and" has been replaced with "and/or". For example, the phrase "at least one of A and/or B" provides for the selection of A individually, B individually, or A and B together.

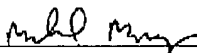
35 U.S.C. §102 and §103 REJECTIONS

Claims 20-42 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over CA 2240674.

Claim 20 has been amended to recite the selection of the aromatic solvent. The only aromatic solvents disclosed by CA 2240674 are xylene, toluene, mesitylene, and benzyl alcohol (page 9, lines 25-26). The aromatic solvent now contains aromatic solvents not disclosed by CA 2240674. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that claims 20-36 are not anticipated by and are patentable over CA 2240674.

In view of the amendments and remarks contained above, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application, withdrawal of the 35 USC §102 and §103 rejections, and requests that a Formal Notice of Allowance be issued for claims 20-36. Should the Examiner have any questions about the above remarks, the undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call.

Respectfully submitted,


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